

RAILROAD TELEPHONES

Are Being Installed on This
Division of Rock Island

NEW IN THE WEST

They are Time Savers in Case
of Accident

The Rock Island Railroad company is installing a railroad telephone on the division from Herington to Caldwell, and the system has just been completed and is now in full operation. This is quite an innovation in railroad circles, as the railroad telephone is hardly past the experimental stage. Some of the roads in the west have been conducting experiments with the system for some years and have at last secured appliances which are satisfactory. The Rock Island is the first western road to adopt the system.

In each of the larger offices is installed a telephone with long distance apparatus, and it is not unlike those in common use here. The small stations have not been equipped with the instruments. The wires in this system are the regular telegraph wires along the line and by a special arrangement the telegraph may be clicking away and at the same time a man may be talking with the same office from which the message is coming. It has been this feature which the eastern roads have been experimenting with. With the exception of the instruments and an arrangement for the messages and telephone to use the same wire at the same time the system costs the company but little.

Each train running on the line is being equipped with a portable telephone. If an accident occurs on the road, between two stations, or delay from some cause or other, the trainmen can climb a telegraph pole, attach their instrument and talk with any point they wish. The company has sent out instructions to their trainmen as to how the telephone is to be attached and operated.

Although the system costs some money the company believes they will get many times its cost in rapidity of reporting accidents or condition of roadbed. It is possible for the trainmen to give much fuller particulars concerning the accident and what is needed to repair the same than with the telegraph, and especially in this time of a train while several miles between stations. Thus a long walk is saved and much time.

The use of the telephone system will not dispense with the telegraph, however. Train orders and other important dispatches will still be sent with the key as the weather often interferes with the proper working of the telephones. This system is intended more for emergencies than the general run of business where the misunderstanding of a word or two is not liable to cause a disastrous wreck.

WANTS \$125 DAMAGES.

G. W. Bristol Brings Action Against
Street Car Company.

Through his attorneys, Conly & Conly, G. W. Bristol filed a case in the district court yesterday afternoon in which he asks for damages against the Wichita Railroad and Electric Light company to the amount of \$125, for the loss of a buggy which he alleges was demolished through a collision with a car belonging to the company. In his petition he states that the accident happened on June 23, 1902, at a point about 100 feet west of the Douglas avenue bridge across Chisholm creek. He states that the buggy was almost totally demolished and that it was due solely to the negligence of the motorcar, which, he alleges, was running the car at a high rate of speed and did not ring the gong.

WERE BADLY BRUISED.

Mrs. Chas. Mattox and Father Were
Victims of Serious Accident.

Mrs. Chas. Mattox and her father were sitting in their buggy at the corner of Douglas and Lawrence avenues yesterday afternoon during the parade, when a buggy driven by Charles Miller ran into them, upsetting the rig and bruising the occupants considerably. Mrs. Mattox's arm was quite severely sprained and her father was bruised. The buggy was thrown on top of them as it went over. Eyewitnesses caught the young man's rig and others helped remove the vehicle off the man and woman. In the excitement some one picked up Mrs. Mattox's pocketbook and disappeared with it. The purse contained about \$10.

Young Miller is almost totally deaf and did not hear the warnings given him by bystanders and was not any too careful in driving through the crowd.

RESULT OF SHOOTING AFFRAY.

Wm. Kelly Is in Jail on Charge of
Assault.

William Kelly, colored, was arrested by the police yesterday on the charge of assault with intent to kill. It is alleged that Tuesday night Kelly and another colored man had a row because it seemed that one had interfered with the affairs of the other. Both were in love with two girls and it was concerning these two that the men fell out. It is alleged that in front of the opera house the two men fought and that Kelly drew a gun and shot at the other fellow. Some say he had a shot gun and fired twice, and others say he had a revolver and fired four times. The police heard the shooting but when they arrived on the scene no one was to be found. They obtained inkblots of the affair here and there, and finally caught one of the men.

GAME WAS POSTPONED.

City Officials and Insurance Men Will
Contest May 29.

Yesterday it was announced that the game of baseball between the city officials and the insurance men had been postponed until May 29, when it will be pulled off on the Hess field. The managers of the teams yesterday completed the preliminary arrangements for the game. An admission fee of 15 cents will

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be charged and the money is to go to the Children's Home.

A neat sum should be secured for the benefit of the Home from the game, which promises to be about the funniest ball game that ever happened. Those who want an afternoon of exceedingly interesting fun and do not care particularly about the fine points of the national game should be sure to put in an appearance.

WILL ROLL THE LINKS.

Country Club Will Use Big Asphalt
Roller.

The Country club have made arrangements with the Barber Asphalt company for the use of the big asphalt roller on the golf links. There are a number of places on the links which are in rather bad shape and the efforts of the workmen have been unavailing in making these places as level and smooth as the players desire. It is believed that the big roller will do the work and do it well and permanently so the directors made arrangements to have the links rolled. This work will be done as soon as the ground dries enough to allow it.

BALL GAME TODAY.

Friends and Emporia Will Play This
Afternoon.

After a week's rest on account of the rainy season, the baseball game will be given another chance to get out and split the air a few. The College of Emporia will play the Friends on the Hess field today at 3 o'clock.

For the next three weeks baseball in this city will be in full swing if the rain stays away and will give the boys a chance. The Quakers have tried to keep in training in spite of the wet weather and will show up in almost their old form. A week more will put them on their mettle right.

The Emporia team have had a little training on the side and will be apt to put up a good game. They have played with a good record so far in the season and think that they can give the Quakers a run for their money if anybody can.

The game will be called at 3 o'clock in order to allow the friends to catch a train south as they go to Stillwater to hold a track meet there.

Nelson will throw for the Friends and will be in his best form, as the rest was what he needed after the stiff work in the beginning of the season. He has kept his arm in practice and when he unleashes some of those twisters of his the Emporia boys will begin to wonder why it was they didn't practice more with the willow.

The game will be called promptly at 3 o'clock on the Hess field.

WILL PLAY BALL.

Lewis Academy and High School to
Cross Bats.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the high school and Lewis academy will cross bats on the Hess field, for the second game of the season. The first game was a victory for the academy by a score of 8 to 10. Since that time both teams have been practicing and a good game of ball may be expected Saturday. The high school boys will play in their new ball suits. Following is the line-up:

High School. Positions. Lewis Academy.
C. Rummel.....Catcher.....M. Merry
H. Dryden.....Pitcher.....G. Merry
O. Sanders.....1st Base.....T. Veach
W. Ennold.....2d Base.....H. Hatfield
F. Oliver.....3d Base.....M. Ashbaugh
G. Taylor.....Short Stop.....D. Stinson
L. Walton.....Left Field.....H. Lawrence
M. Wardham.....Center Field.....L. Cherry
E. Croxson.....Right Field.....R. Haughey

DEATH FROM OLD AGE.

Mrs. P. J. Clark's Remains Will Be
Taken to Ashton.

Mrs. P. J. Clark died Wednesday at her home, two miles south of the Friends university, of old age, coupled with pneumonia. Mrs. Clark was born 71 years ago in Maryland and has made her home in this country for many years. The funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home and the remains will be taken to Ashton this morning.

FOUR LICENSES GRANTED.

All Were Issued Before Noon Yesterday.

Until noon yesterday it appeared that it would be a record breaker in the granting of marriage licenses, four being made out by the probate judge up to that hour. However afternoon business quieted down and not another license was issued yesterday. Those to whom licenses were granted were: Geo. Neff, aged 21, and Edith Ritter, aged 18, both of Wichita; Wm. E. Caldwell, aged 28, and Josephine Grady, aged 25, both of Wichita; Ferdinand Gentile, aged 23, of Wichita, and Veronica Strunk, aged 23, of St. Marks; J. A. Martin, aged 18, of Wichita, and Mary E. Brooker, aged 22, of Guthrie.

FOR STEALING TOOLS.

Wm. Whitted Arrested on Complaint
of Missouri Pacific Railroad.

William Whitted, a young colored man who has been employed by the Missouri Pacific for some time, was arrested by the police yesterday and is held on the charge of petit larceny. It is alleged that he has been doing a great deal of fencing of tools for some months and Wednesday night, it is alleged, he went to Covington's policy shop at the corner of Douglas avenue and Water street and attempted to break in the door with a monkey-wrench stolen from the Missouri Pacific round house.

APPLIES FOR DIVORCE.

Rosena Thompson Charges Husband
With Extreme Cruelty.

Rosena Thompson began action in the district court yesterday for the purpose of securing a divorce from A. R. Thompson. She alleges that the defendant is guilty of extreme cruelty, that he has called her vile names and on the 13th day of May forbade her presence in the home, at 418 North Water street. She petitions the court to grant her an absolute divorce from the defendant to give her charge of all the household goods and the custody of the only child, a girl about 15 years of age.

APPOINTED ADMINISTRATRIX.

Mrs. Van Nover to Have Charge of
Husband's Estate.

Mrs. Van Nover was appointed yesterday by the probate judge as the administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of Wm. J. Van Nover. The deceased in his will named two brothers who live in Ohio as executors, but according to the statute the executors must live in the state in which the will is filed, therefore the persons named in the will could not qualify.

Miss Della Ritter and Mr. E. W. Noy were married at the home of the bride's cousin, Mrs. J. A. Taylor, 248 North Lawrence avenue, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. Bruce Griffith. They will be at home to their many friends at 312 North Emporia.

WICHITA WILL HAVE ONE ROAD

To Build Into Indian Territory
Coal Field

OLD COMPANY REORGANIZE

Mass Meeting of Citizens
Postponed Until Wednesday

Wichita business men and citizens will work for only one railroad to the southeast. At the mass meeting held Tuesday evening a committee was appointed to confer with the present board of directors of the Wichita and Southwestern Railway company, which has a charter to the Indian territory coal fields. This action was taken, as the greater number of business men present at that meeting did not want to have two railroads into practically the same field, and each to a certain extent antagonistic to each other, on the boards at once. The sentiment of most of those present at the meeting was that Wichita should unite on one road and build it and then if another road is needed it can be built.

Chairman Davidson was instructed to appoint a committee to talk with the directors about a reorganization of the road, and he did so. This committee has met with the directors and has found the latter more than willing to make terms. A reorganization was practically agreed to Tuesday night, but the details of the same were left to the committee to arrange. Of course, their action will have to be approved by the mass meeting, but if the terms of the agreement which has been reached are at all reasonable there is no doubt but that their action will be endorsed.

At the meeting Tuesday evening the directors present of the Wichita and Southwestern stated that they were willing to turn the proposition over to the city to insure the building of the line. The committee appointed has formulated its report and this will be to accept the proposition of the organized company. It is understood that some of the present directors of the company will resign, those who are not now directly interested in Wichita or its welfare, and their places are to be filled with Wichita men. The balance of the directory which is not filled at present is to be made up of Wichita business men. This will give Wichita but one company to build the line, and this company now has a tangible proposition from eastern capitalists to build the line.

At the meeting Tuesday evening an adjournment was taken until this evening, when the committee was to report. Many of the business men had planned to attend the production of "The Crisis" this evening and asked that the meeting be postponed until next week. As these requests were so numerous, it was decided last night to postpone the meeting until next Wednesday evening.

BIG BERRY BUSINESS.

Express Companies Unload Many
Crates Here Each Day.

People who are at the Express depot at 8 o'clock a. m., when the Friday passenger train comes in are astounded at the number of crates of strawberries sent to Wichita every day from southern Missouri and Arkansas.

There are usually four to five hundred crates and the express employees have to do some active work to prevent delaying the train. The J. D. McElwain Produce company, Ross Bros., H. J. Adlington Commission company, the Wichita Produce company and The Lampi Produce company and others who handle berries have their men at the depot to assist in the unloading. Some of these firms get berries from several parties and each order must be kept separate until they are examined.

The Friday runs a car for the purpose of carrying berries and it is called the berry car. These large shipments of berries of course are not all used in this city. Some of them are sent to the surrounding towns by the produce dealers. It will be seen from this that Missouri and Arkansas is now getting a good deal of money for strawberries as they supply the trade in other sections.

ASKS FOR DIVORCE.

Ludie Stroud Wants Marriage Vows
Annulled.

Ludie Stroud filed a petition in the district court yesterday asking for a divorce from her husband, George Stroud. In the petition the plaintiff states that she was married to the defendant June 27, 1897. She alleges that the defendant has been guilty of extreme cruelty; that he has often struck her and beat her and caused her to suffer great physical suffering. She states that she can endure his treatment no longer. She also states that four children have been born of this union, and besides drawing wages as a carpenter, the defendant owns property valued at \$1,500. The plaintiff asks the court to grant an injunction restraining the defendant from disposing of any of the said property while the divorce suit is pending. She asks the court to grant her an absolute divorce and also to require the defendant to deposit \$50 with the court to defray the lawyer fees of the plaintiff.

DIVORCE WAS GRANTED.

To Nancy Summers by Judge Dale
Yesterday.

A decree was granted yesterday in the case in which Nancy Summers petitioned for a divorce from S. C. Summers. The plaintiff was granted a divorce, was given the custody of the three children, aged 7 and 6 years, and was given the right to certain property in the town of Derby. By the court's decree the defendant is barred from interfering in any way with the affairs of the plaintiff. The attorney for the plaintiff was S. B. Ambidon.

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